

WILSON SPEAKS BEFORE JOINT CONGRESS ON PEACE WHILE KAISER MAKES STATEMENT

AMERICANS ARE KILLED IN A PATROL CLASH

Are Surrounded by a Superior Number Boches Who Call Them "Komrad."

PUT UP FIERCE FIGHT

Americans Could Be Hardly Restrained from Going Over Top by Officers.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Feb. 12.—The shell fire Saturday night killed one American artilleryman and wounded five others.

The Americans sprinkled the German lines with shrapnel all day yesterday.

Friday night an American patrol of 14 men clashed with a much larger German force in front of the American wire entanglements. The Germans surrounded the Americans and cried "komrad" as they opened fire.

The fight lasted several minutes. The Germans in returning to their trenches took four American prisoners. They left four dead and two wounded on the field. The American yells of defiance followed the retreating Germans.

A barrage fire from the Americans followed, and the Americans also fought fiercely with hand grenades. Those in the front trenches could hardly be restrained by their officers from "going over the top" when they heard of the fate of their companions.

COUGAR STEAK TASTES JUST LIKE TURKEY

Proposed as a Substitute for Other Meat to Help Along the Cause of the War.

SEATTLE, Feb. 12.—Cougar steak, the latest proposed substitution for meat from the frames of domesticated animals, tastes like turkey, according to C. J. Albrecht, museum assistant at the University of Washington. Mr. Albrecht recently obtained a 220-pound cougar carcass from a Seattle taxidermist for anatomical studies. The meat of the cougar was cut up by Albrecht and served to his friends as steak.

LONDON: Col. A. C. Repington, military correspondent of London Morning Post, says the Teutons now have 4,000,000 on western front, or more than all the allies combined, excluding the Italian theatre.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS and Mail Information

Now North Bound
Princess Sophia will arrive tomorrow morning.

Scheduled Sailings
City of Seattle is scheduled to sail from Seattle today. No report.

Spokane is scheduled to sail from Seattle next Sunday.

Alaska is scheduled to sail from Seattle Saturday.

Jefferson is scheduled to sail from Seattle Saturday.

SOUTHBOUND SAILINGS
Princess Sophia is scheduled to sail southbound on Thursday morning.

ALLIES SUPPLYING WATER FOR THE TRENCHES



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The Allied engineers have proved themselves equal to solving the problem of a pure water supply for the trenches. Water is stored in tanks at fixed stations, and from there it is piped to the trenches.

SPRUCE RIVING FOR AEROPLANES IS UNDER WAY

All People With Experience Are Asked to Communicate With Signal Corps.

PORTLAND, Feb. 12.—Colonel Brice P. Disque, commanding the Spruce Production Division of the Signal Corps, has asked the cooperation of every person in the Northwest who is now engaged or contemplates in the riving of spruce. This is necessary in order that the problem of inspecting rived spruce may be facilitated and the request is directed to both large and small operators and also to farmers and others who are preparing to rive spruce as a side issue. Reports reaching headquarters of the division indicate that a large number of independent and small operators are about to engage in riving airplane spruce material. Because of the varied conditions under which this stock will be produced and the qualifications which government inspectors deem essential, according to Colonel Disque to organize and instruct a force of inspectors immediately. These inspectors will be chosen from the troops at Vancouver Barracks who are best qualified for experience in this work.

WASHINGTON: Tentative price of \$90 an ounce has been set by the government for purchase of 21,000 ounces of platinum recently imported from Russia.

HOMAGE GIVEN TO LINCOLN MANY PLACES

Two Mass Meetings Held in Springfield at the Tomb of Noted American.

VIRGINIANS ARE IN LINE
Observance Was Also Quietly Made Among Officials in Washington City.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 12.—Great homage to the memory of Lincoln marked the ceremonies today, where the body lies, attended by two mass meetings.

Virginia Assembly
PETERSBURG, Va., Feb. 12.—Members of the Virginia general assembly attended the Lincoln exercises at Camp Lee conducted by the 21st Brigade, composed exclusively of Virginians. This is said to be the first participation by a Southern legislature in the observance of Lincoln's birthday.

In Washington
WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—Washington officials quietly observed the birthday of Lincoln.

PARIS: France appropriated for war expenses between Aug. 1, 1914, and Dec. 31, 1917, \$17,440,000,000.

DELEGATE IS FIRM BELIEVER IN NORTHLAND

Neglects No Opportunity to Let People Know About Farming in the Northland.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The 1919 Agricultural appropriation bill, as considered in the House of Representatives, provides for the equipping and maintenance of the experimental station at Matanuska, Alaska. The sum of \$5,000 is carried in the bill for this purpose, according to Delegate Chas. A. Sulzer. This will also include the repair of the cattle barns at Kodiak and the employment of an extension agent in Alaska. Delegate Sulzer has been active in spreading the news among his fellow-legislators as to the progress in farming in the Matanuska, as well as the other districts of Alaska. He is a firm believer in the future of the Northern Territory from an agricultural standpoint.

The annual appropriation bill of the Department of Agriculture also carries \$55,000 for the maintenance of the various government experimental stations in Alaska, which are under the supervision of Dr. C. C. Georgeson.

NEW YORK: A sugar monopoly is being considered by the Japanese government, which contemplates the purchase of all sugar factories in Japan and Formosa, total paid up capital of which is given as \$4,250,000 with a market value of \$25,000,000.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—President Wilson, in addressing a joint session of Congress, replied to the recent speeches of George von Hertling, the German Imperial Chancellor, before the Reichstag, concerning peace terms, and to the speech of Count Czernin, the foreign minister of Austria, declared that the latter's speech showed a very friendly tone.

The President said Czernin seemed to see the basis of future peace with clear eyes and understanding, and doesn't try to make obscure the necessary terms for a lasting peace.

President Wilson continued that on the other hand the speech of von Hertling was vague and confusing and leads practically to no conclusion and is very different in tone from that uttered by the foreign minister of Austria.

President Wilson reiterated that the United States was putting forth its whole strength against the common enemy of mankind and civilization. He asserted that the United States does not desire to interrupt any European friendships, past, present or in the future, and would disdain to take advantage of any internal weakness or disorder in order to impose its will upon the people of any nation. He said this nation never entered the war for any such purpose, but to conserve the rights of freedom for all times against autocratic militarism.

Continuing, the President said the test of whether it was possible for the belligerents to compare and agree must be based upon four simple principles, namely:

First—Each part of a final settlement must be based upon essential justice to bring about permanent peace.

Second—The people of different provinces and nations must not be bartered about like chattels and slaves to establish a balance of power.

Third—All territorial settlements must be for the benefit of the people most vitally concerned.

Fourth—Well-defined national aspirations must be accorded all possible satisfaction.

The President said every one except the German military autocracy accepted these general principles. He said the war must continue until peace based upon such fundamental principles could be secured.

Many Congressmen approved the address. Senator James S. Reed, of Missouri, thought a move should be made to try and dissolve Austria from Germany. Senator Hiram W. Johnson of California said he believed the speech exactly expresses American ideals and "brings us nearer to a lasting peace."

FIREMEN—READ!!

All Firemen without exception must be at A. B. Hall tonight at 8:15 for ten minutes drill. You can then leave to get your ladies.
FREEMAN, Chief.

AIR ROUTE FOR MAIL BE USED IN SHORT TIME

The United States Government Is Asking for Bids for One to Be in the East

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The establishment of an aeroplane mail service between Washington and Philadelphia and New York next summer was indicated when the Post-office Department asked for bids of five aeroplanes for the service.

YEARLING ELK ARE SHIPPED TO IDAHO TO START NEW HERD

POCATELLO, Idaho, Feb. 12.—A carload of yearling elk from the Gardiner, Wyoming, region, reached here recently and have been taken to the Pocatello Forest section, where it is hoped to develop an elk herd. A heavy fine is provided for anyone molesting an elk in this state.

GRAND JURY GIVES ITS FEES TO THE RED CROSS SOCIETY

PUEBLO, Colo., Jan. 12.—A grand jury recently in session here donated its entire fees to the Red Cross. The jurors endorsed the warrants given them by the court officers and asked the clerk of the court to present them to the relief organization with the compliments of the organization.

"All the News All the Time."

KAISER ON PEACE

DATELESS. (To The Associated Press).—Announcement of America's plans to emancipate the world from attempted mastery of military autocracy by President Wilson comes almost simultaneously with a statement from the Kaiser that peace will come, but victory of the German arms must be recognized.

The Kaiser said Germany had executed the collapse of opposition on the eastern front.

According to a statement made by the Hamburg Burgomaster yesterday, Germany is massing troops on the western front.

There are many signs of growing alertness on the war front, with the improvement of the weather.

BRITISH APPEAL

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The King in addressing parliament today said that the world's struggle had reached a critical stage which demanded more than ever the full use of the country's energies. Every resource, he said, must be devoted to the cause.

The King said it was the duty of the British to prosecute the war with all the vigor possible until recognition was offered for the only principle upon which an honorable peace could be concluded.

GIVE AWAY LANDS

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The Stockholm correspondent of the London Times says the Austrians granted a large part of Eastern Galicia in its peace terms to Russia. It says the Rada of the new republic of Ukraine is to receive a large German loan to be secured by mineral

lands which the Teutons are to be allowed to develop.

Ukraine and Germany, by the terms of the peace agreement already signed, are also to exchange merchandise and goods.

CONFIRMS REPORT

LONDON, Feb. 12.—An official statement received by the British government confirms the German report that Russia has withdrawn from the war and ordered the demobilization of its troops on all fronts, including the younger soldiers and the legal guards on the border.

OUR AMBASSADOR DENIES REPORT FROM PETROGRAD

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—American Ambassador Francis telegraphing the State Department from Petrograd under date of Feb. 6th, reported that all Americans in the city were safe and well. This communication is regarded as disposing of the rumor that all allied diplomats had been ordered from Petrograd by the Bolshevik government.

PRINCESS SOPHIA WILL ARRIVE HERE WEDNESDAY MORNING

KETCHIKAN, Feb. 12.—The Princess Sophia will arrive in Juneau Wednesday morning with two passengers for there, Miss Gundy and Fred Yoder. She has 30 tons of freight for Juneau.

STILL IMPROVING

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Col. Theo. Roosevelt's condition was slightly better today and it is believed that his recovery is only a matter of time.

WASHINGTON: A group of southwestern capitalists claim to have found a practical method of taking alcohol from cactus.